Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 19 Jan 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023 at 02:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High becoming Medium in detail from Saturday.

Headline for Wednesday 18 Jan 2023: Cold and windy with snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
60%	60%	50%	50%	50%	50%

Forecast for Wednesday 18 Jan 2023

Weather: Scattered snow showers overnight, these merging into some longer outbreaks of snow by dawn. The snow showers becoming more scattered again during the morning with some brighter spells. Snow drifting and blowing in the strong to gale force winds with temporary blizzard conditions. Snow showers continuing in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% around dawn, rising to 60% in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, bases 600 to 900m at times, particularly through the early morning, lifting and breaking around the summits at times in the afternoon. Visibility poor or very poor in snow and cloud, otherwise very good.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	29/33 N	28/35 N	27/34 NW	27/34 NW	26/33 NW	23/30 W	23/29 W
900	26/30 N	26/33 N	25/32 NW	26/34 NW	24/30 NW	23/30 W	21/28 W
600	16/21 N	19/27 N	17/24 N	18/25 NW	14/20 NW	15/22 W	13/20 W
300	3/24 N	5/26 N	8/26 NW	6/26 NW	3/21 NW	5/23 W	4/20 W
Glen	6/18 N	11/27 N	10/23 N	9/22 NW	9/19 NW	9/19 W	6/16 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-5/-14	-5/-14	-6/-15	-6/-15	-7/-16	-7/-16	-7/-16
900	-4/-13	-4/-13	-5/-14	-5/-14	-6/-15	-6/-15	-6/-14
600	-2/-8	-2/-9	-3/-10	-3/-10	-4/-10	-4/-10	-4/-10
300	0/-2	-0/-4	-1/-5	-2/-5	-2/-5	-2/-6	-2/-5
Glen	2/-0	2/-2	2/-2	1/-2	1/-3	1/-3	0/-3
Freezing Level*	300m	200m	100m	100m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Full winter hazards.

Forecast for Thursday 19 Jan 2023
Weather: Patchy cloud and clear spells overnight with scattered or isolated snow showers. The snow showers becoming more widespread during daylight hours, perhaps merging at times with temporary blizzard conditions.

Maximum wind: Northwest 25 to 30mph gusting 40mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% much of daylight hours, but 70% early and late in the day.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, bases 600 to 900m at times, particularly through daylight hours, lifting and breaking around the summits at times, mainly early and late in the day. Visibility poor or very poor in snow and cloud, otherwise very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero to Minus 6 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 to Minus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: All levels

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